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Title:

OPTICAL SENSOR CLEANER

STATUS INQUIRY - NEW PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

More than 26 months have passed since the filing of the above-identified patent application on December 16, 2003. No Communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application.

Therefore, applicant wishes to inquire as to the present status of the above-identified pending patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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